

REMARKS

This application has been amended so as to place it in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

The Official Action rejects claim 5 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph. The present amendment cancels the rejected claim. The present amendment makes no other change to this application.

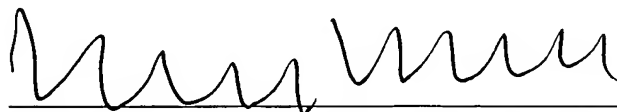
As the Official Action of December 2, 2005 explicitly identifies all pending claims other than claim 5 as allowed, the present application is believed to be in condition for immediate allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions or requires further clarification of any of the above points, the Examiner may contact the undersigned attorney so that this application may continue to be expeditiously advanced.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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